



MCGILVRA PLACE RENOVATION MEETING #1 NOTES

Monday November 14, 2011
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Seattle Academy,
1432 15th Avenue, Seattle WA 98122

Over twenty-five community members attended the first public meeting for the Opportunity Fund renovation project of McGilvra Place. Parks presented three conceptual designs for the Renovation which includes a pedestrian oriented street at 15th Avenue. The community provided great feedback for the renovation including improving safety, pedestrian access and access to the site. Parks will compile all input from the community and SDOT to inform the design concept for the renovation of the open space. The preferred concept will be presented at the next public meeting, January 9, 2012 at the Seattle Academy.

Ideas/feedback provided from community:

- Cyclists need a direct connection between Pike and Madison if closing 15th Avenue.
- Pedestrian Flow through park is not as safe, keep existing sidewalk along Madison
- Safety concerns at dark
- Keep a buffer between park and pedestrian access on 15th avenue
- Pike sidewalk isn't used much
- If you kick out existing users (homeless) not many other users will sit in the park
- Separation from Cascadia Building, possible 'mini' street
- 15th avenue should be more open
- Make park more accessible in terms of bringing down the wall
- +Concept 3, open in south, remove sidewalk on Pike
- No value to open park to Madison
- +Concept 3, minimize turf
- If closing 15th Avenue, open more; make more simple, show the history of the street
- Odd to keep raised triangle
- Sidewalk should be closer to Madison and provide a berm between the street and sidewalk
- Provide better street lighting
- Direct pedestrian route
- Keep raised triangle because of its history
- Existing Mini Parks around neighborhood have less use at night/dark
- Keep direct sidewalk on 15th Avenue to Madison
- 15th avenue is a good nighttime pedestrian thoroughfare
- No sunken space
- Good attention to the space without the raised triangle
- Provide better circulation to signaled crosswalk on Madison
- +activation will provide a positive effect on the park
- +Concept 3 because it provides a view across the park

- Keep wall intact along Madison, but open on Pike
- Keep SE Open to bring in more sunlight
- +positive to activate the space, open plaza on 15th Avenue
- +activity and a vibrant nighttime

Key: + means positive, encouraging comments

Questions about the project at the meeting:

Q- Reuse existing concrete onsite? **Parks will work to**

Q- Any street parking removed on 15th? **No Parking existed on 15th Avenue**

Q- Can you phase the renovation to see how users react?

Q- Why closing 15th Avenue? **Provide for a pedestrian oriented street on a very limited vehicle traveled roadway.**

Q- Light the Park? **The goal of the project is to renovate the park using green building practices, minimize infrastructure and minimize maintenance. Lighting does not follow these goals for a green project.**

Budget:

The total budget for the renovation is \$364,000. Funding for this project is provided through the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy Opportunity Fund. The project budget cover all costs associated with the project including administration, design, permits, bidding and construction.

McGillvra Place Renovation Schedule	2011 Quarter	2012 Quarters			
	4	1	2	3	4
Pro View – Internal Parks review of proposed project elements.	★	★			
Community Meetings – Early discussions with community members and presentation of site analysis and conceptual designs.	Nov. 14	Jan. 9			
SDOT Street Improvement - Review Schematic Design	★				
<i>Schematic Design Complete</i>		★			
SDOT Street Improvement - Review 60 % Design Development		★			
Pro View Technical Review – Internal Technical Review of 65% Construction Drawings		★			
SDOT Street Improvement - Review 90 % Design Development					
Pro View Technical Review – Internal Technical Review of 95% Construction Drawings			★		
<i>Design Development and Construction Drawings Complete</i>			★		
Construction				★	★
Project Close Out					★

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Meeting Information will be posted on line after the meeting.

